FISCAL NOTE

HB 991 - SB 1174

March 1, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires each person who drives an emergency vehicle to be certified and to have at least two hours of annual training.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues – Exceeds \$1,000,000
Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$500,000 Recurring \$2,955,000 One-Time
Decrease State Expenditures – Less than \$100,000

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Exceeds \$1,000,000* Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000

Assumptions:

- At least 20,000 persons would have to receive annual training under the provisions of this bill. This includes but is not limited to certain Dept. of Safety personnel, certain TBI personnel, local law enforcement officers, EMS personnel, paid and volunteer firefighters and paid and volunteer rescue squad personnel.
- A one-time and recurring increase in state expenditures to build a driving track, staff the facility and provide annual training for state and local law enforcement personnel.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures to train firefighters and EMS personnel through programs offered by the Fire Academy.
- An increase in state revenues from the collection of approximately 20,000 persons paying a \$50 training course fee.
- An increase in local government expenditures to pay fees for employees who must take training courses.
- A decrease in state and local government expenditures to the extent that such training results in fewer accidents and lower insurance premiums.
- Some volunteer rescue squad and volunteer firefighters can receive training through their insurance company and will not take a course offered by the State.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jam W. White